

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1786 - HB 1651

March 30, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Extends the term of office, from three to four years, for members of the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners and increases their per diem from \$50 to \$100. Individuals with academic licenses are no longer authorized to participate in preceptorships. Requires licensure applicants to complete an examination that is conducted or accepted by the Board and successfully complete at least one-year residency program approved by the Council on Podiatric Medical Education or its successor organization. Deletes the Boards authority to accept an applicant's report from the National Board of Podiatry Examiners in lieu of any or all portions of the examination.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – The Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners will incur an increase in expenditures of \$1,200 for the additional \$50 per diem that each board member will receive. The recurring expenditures can be covered by current fee revenue.

Assumptions:

- Licensure applications will have to be modified to accommodate the changes in requirements. Any cost can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.
- There are six members of the Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners who will receive an additional \$50 per meeting. The Board meets quarterly resulting in an increase in expenditures of \$1,200 (\$50 x 6 members x 4 meetings).
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2008, the Board had a positive balance of \$20,385.18.

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CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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